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SUBJECT:BREAKDOWN IN GUYANA'S ESSENTIAL SERVICES

REF: A) GEORGETOWN 1058 B) GEORGETOWN 1066

- 1. DEPARTMENT, AID AND ICA FOLLOWING CRISIS IN GEORGETOWN'S ESSENTIAL SERVICES WITH PARTICULAR CONCERN FOR HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF MISSION STAFF. TO SUPPORT POST AS FULLY AS POSSIBLE, FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED ASAP:
- A) ARA/MGT AND FBO EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES ON EMERGENCY GENERATORS CITED IN REF (A). WE NEED TO KNOW POST'S RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO TYPE AND SIZE OF GENERATORS FOR CONSULATE, AID OFFICE AND JFK LIBRARY. IN ADDITION TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GENERATOR REQUESTED TO SUPPLY THREE USG OWNED HOUSES, ADVISE HOW MANY STGL RESIDENCES OF EACH AGENCY REQUIRE PORTABLE GENERATORS.

B) WITH EXCEPTION OF KEROSENE AND WHITE GAS WHICH WE UNDERSTAND ARE NOT AVAILABLE, ADVISE TYPES OF OTHER FUELS AVAILABLE IN GUYANA, BOTH FOR COOKING/HEATING AND

POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATION.

C) ADVISE WHAT TYPES OF WATER FILTRATION EQUIPMENT, IF ANY AVAILABLE IN COUNTRY, E.G., EUROPEAN-TYPE CERAMIC DRIP THROUGH FILTERS AND/OR PORTABLE DISTILLATION EQUIPMENT. ARA/MGT IS EXPLORING WITH MED THE EMERGENCY DISPATCH OF WATER PURIFICATION TABLETS IF REQUIRED BY POST. ADVISE WHETHER POST'S MEDICAL SUPPLIES INCLUDE GLOBALIN TABLETS OR SIMILAR.

- D) ADVISE POST'S INVENTORY OF EMERGENCY FOOD RATIONS, INCLUDING "C" AND "IN-FLIGHT" RATIONS.
- 2. DEPARTMENT CONCURS THAT IN THE EVENT LIVING CONDITIONS CONTINUE TO DETERIORATE, EVACUATION OF DEPENDENTS AND NON-ESSENTIAL STAFF MEMBERS TO SAFEHAVEN POINTS WILL BE REQUIRED. DEPARTMENT NOTES EXPRESSIONS OF SUPPORT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM EMBASSIES PORT OF SPAIN AND CARACAS. IF EVACUATION FOR LONG PERIOD CONTEMPLATED, RETURN TO CONUS MAY BE PREFERRED. VANCE

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